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Re: February 18, 2010 EPA Performance Standards for Confined Disposal Facilities (Lower Willamette River, Portland Harbor Superfund Site, USEPA Docket No: CERCLA-10-2001-0240)

Chip and Eric:

The Lower Willamette Group (LWG) is in receipt of EPA's letter and enclosed performance standards for Confined Disposal Facilities. As we discussed, because EPA's letter may be interpreted as "requirements" under Section XVIII.1 of the Administrative Order on Consent, the LWG requests a 30-day extension of the 14-day deadline of initiating formal dispute resolution. This will allow time for EPA and LWG to discuss the performance standards and reach resolution so that we can proceed with completing the Feasibility Study. Because time is of the essence to keep the FS on schedule, we also request a meeting with EPA to discuss the letter and its enclosure within 7 days.

Please contact me to coordinate the meeting and path forward for resolution.

Sincerely,

Bob Wyatt

cc: Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation

Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon

Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon

Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation

Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon

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